

CHAPEL HILL NEWS

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Meeting Notes

Program

Kim Carangis

Humor and Insights

No one shared humor this evening.

Life Membership Game

The life membership game was not played this evening.

Thoughts & Prayers

Our thoughts and prayers are with Trish and Bob as they are with family to support Trish's brother.

Get your Optimist shirt

Phyllis has our gorgeous Chapel Hill Optimist Club shirts for sale at our cost of \$20 each. If you are working the race and don't have a shirt yet, call Phyllis to get yours!

Kim Caranagis, Director

Chatham County Together



Max.
Marge.
Kim &
Ann

Thanks to Marge for arranging for Kim Caranagis, Director of Chatham County Together to talk with us this evening about the many ways they serve the youth and families of Chatham County since its inception in 1989. Kim has worked with CCT since 1990 and as director since 1998. They now have 7 full time staff and many, many volunteers providing over 8000 hours of assistance in the past year. While some funding does come through government programs, CCT relies on generous private donation such as the Optimists have provided.

They began as a mentoring program, but have added services to now offer a wide variety of youth growth, community service/ restitution, family advocacy and

'plain talk' services in addition to mentoring for children at risk and their families.

Their annual report and brochure are attached with many more details on all the fine work they do for the communities they serve in Chatham County.



For more information about Chatham County Together

www.chathamcountytogether.org

Childhood Cancer

Get ready for the **Duck Races** coming in August at the NC East Convention in Myrtle Beach. Get your check-books out and be ready to buy one or more ducks from Triash for your chance to win and certainly to support Childhood Cancer.



July 4th

At least 10 volunteers are lined up for the **4 on the 4th** race to support **Cardinal Track**. Sign up with **Jerry Phelps** if you also want to help. This is a major fundraiser for us.

Chapel Hill/Carrboro Parks & Rec has requested volunteers to help with their celebration at Town Hall. Contact **Phyllis** if you can help.

Meeting Site Search

We continue exploring various alternative meeting sites since Jim's BBQ has closed. So far, we have tried: Caribou Coffee, City Kitchen, and tonight we met at **Red Bowl at University Mall** for the second time. We plan to continue looking, but will meet at Red Bowl unless we find a more favorable location.

Bob mentioned that some other clubs either hold their meeting without a meal, or have people bring snacks to share. We could also consider having attendees bring 'brown bag' for whatever they want to consume. .

Let **Carolyn** know if you have other suggestions.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



- ◆ Watch for email information from **Jerry Phelps** about our involvement in **July 4th** race with Cardinal Track.
- ◆ **Chatham County Together** would love to do another outing with us. We will work on scheduling options.
- ◆ **Phyllis** will coordinate menus and donations for the Ronald McDonald house breakfasts in advance of dates.
- ◆ Please contact **Marge** with suggestions for programs.
- ◆ **Carolyn** and **Phyllis** are investigating options for our annual banquet.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 27	No meeting
July 4	4 on the 4th race—we have 10 volunteers
July 11	Program: Cole Carroll, Junior Golfer 6:30 pm
July 18	Board Meeting - 6:30 pm
July 25	No meeting
July 27	No meeting

Watch for emails indicating meeting locations until we get more permanent arrangements in place.

Sep 8 & Nov 24 CONFIRMED dates for Ronald McDonald breakfasts 9 am

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NC East Convention

Myrtle Beach

August 23-26

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Optimist International Convention

Milwaukee

July 12-14